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Region 5

REGION 5 DELEGATIONS MANUAL

Purpose. This transmittal provides material for the Region 5 Delegations Manual.

Explanation. These Region 5 delegations have been revised to conform to significant changes which EPA Headquarters recently made to CERCLA removal and remedial delegations. On November 8, 2001, the Administrator approved a consolidation of: 1) the authorities to enter into Superfund state contracts and cooperative agreements, which had been contained in EPA Delegations 14-1-B, 14-4-A, 14-4-C, 14-10-A, 14-10-B, and 14-11, into a new EPA Delegation 14-1; 2) the authorities to select and perform removal and remedial actions, which had been contained in EPA Delegations 14-1-A, 14-2-A, 14-2-B, 14-3, 14-4-B, 14-5, 14-7, and 14-8-A, into a new EPA Delegation 14-2. The effect of these revisions is to simplify the delegation of CERCLA authorities. For example, the \$2 million response action value which had been an important distinction under EPA Delegations 14-1-A, 14-2-A, and 14-2-B no longer exists.

With one exception, EPA Headquarters made no significant changes to the level of EPA regional officials who are, or may be, authorized to exercise the relevant CERCLA authorities; the exception is that Regional Administrators now may delegate the authority to select initial remedial measures to the Division Director level, and new Region 5 Delegation 14-2 does so. The new Region 5 Delegations 14-1 and 14-2 establish authority levels that generally are consistent with the authority levels to take specific actions which had existed within Region 5 prior to November 8, 2001.

This transmittal memo also transmits revised Region 5 Delegations 14-17, 14-22, 14-24, and 14-30 in order to conform to changes made by Headquarters during recent years in EPA Delegations bearing those numbers. Headquarters issued a new EPA Delegation 14-17 to replace prior EPA Delegations 14-17-A and 14-17-B. Headquarters also eliminated EPA Delegation 14-23, consolidating it into EPA Delegation 14-22.

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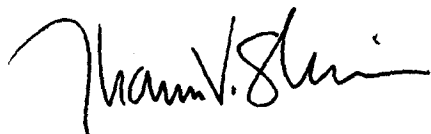
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Remove Old Delegation

Insert New Delegation

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Delegation of Authority from the Regional Administrator